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November 21, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST FOR JURISDICTION
FLORENCE AVENUE, ET AL.
CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1
4 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Adopt the enclosed Resolution declaring the portions of Florence Avenue from Alameda Street to Roseberry Avenue, and Roseberry Street from Florence Avenue to 200 feet north of Leota Street, in the City of Huntington Park to be a part of the County System of Highways.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Jurisdiction is requested in order that the County may administer a project to widen the south side of Florence Avenue between Alameda Street and Roseberry Avenue, widen the west side of Roseberry Avenue between Florence Avenue and the alley, construct a bus turnout along Florence Avenue, construct a cul-de-sac at the intersection of Roseberry Avenue and the alley, extend and widen existing median on Florence Avenue from Alameda Street to the entrance of the new development, and install a signalized intersection on Florence Avenue at Roseberry Avenue/Albany Street. These roadways are jurisdictionally shared between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park. The improvements will be constructed at no cost to the City. The total

project cost is estimated to be \$1.4 million. The cost of the work within the City's jurisdiction is estimated to be \$110,000.

Sections 1700–1702 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the board of supervisors of any county may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, declare any highway in the county lying in whole or in part within a city to be a county highway. The governing body of the affected city may consent to the establishment of such included portion as a part of the county highway system. Thereafter, the board of supervisors of the county may acquire right of way, construct, maintain, improve, or repair such highway in the same manner as other county highways. Jurisdiction will be relinquished after the completion of the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence. By improving Florence Avenue, residents of Huntington Park and the unincorporated County areas who travel on Florence Avenue will benefit, and their quality of life will be improved.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Your Board's adoption of the enclosed Resolution will not directly result in any fiscal impact on the County. We will submit the project to your Board for approval to advertise a construction contract in early 2007.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed Resolution provides for the County to perform the preliminary engineering and administer the construction of the project.

The enclosed Resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their actions. The work proposed in this project was considered for the purposes of CEQA in two prior actions by your Board.

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On August 29, 2006, Item 53, your Board approved a Negative Declaration prepared for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout project. Also, on July 5, 2005, your Board certified the Final Environmental Impact Report and adopted the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations and the Mitigation and Monitoring Plan for the Florence and Alameda Commercial Development project. Your Board's actions on those items satisfied the requirements of CEQA with regard to the recommended action.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Florence Avenue is on the County Highway Plan, and the proposed improvements are needed and of general County interest.

CONCLUSION

Upon adoption of the enclosed Resolution by your Board, please return one adopted copy of this letter together with two adopted copies of the Resolution to this Department for transmittal to the City.

Respectfully submitted,



DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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Enc.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

**RESOLUTION DECLARING PORTIONS OF FLORENCE AVENUE AND
ROSEBERRY AVENUE IN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK
TO BE A PART OF COUNTY SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS**

WHEREAS, by reason of its location and travel thereon, Florence Avenue from Alameda Street to Roseberry Avenue, and Roseberry Avenue from Florence Avenue to 200 feet north of Leota Street, which are shared between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park, should be a part of the County System of Highways, for the purpose of performing road improvement; signal; street lights and drainage work at the aforementioned locations; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Board of Supervisors of said County to cause construction of the above-stated improvements and perform appurtenant work thereon provided the consent of the governing bodies of the City of Huntington Park shall first be given;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, that the portions of Florence Avenue from Alameda Street and Roseberry Avenue, and Roseberry Avenue from Florence Avenue to 200 feet north of Leota Street, which are shared between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park, are hereby declared to be a part of the System of Highways of said County as provided in Section 1700 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California for the purpose of authorizing construction of the aforementioned work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, that the County agrees:

- a) That the County of Los Angeles shall not be responsible for any damage or liability occurring by reason of any roadway condition on the aforementioned streets, within the City of Huntington Park, existing prior to the start of Florence Avenue, et al., construction work by the County or following the completion and field acceptance by the County of said construction.
- b) That the work to be performed by the County shall not include roadway maintenance activities on Florence Avenue, et al., within the City of Huntington Park, prior to the start of Florence Avenue, et al., construction by the County or following the completion and field acceptance by County of said construction.

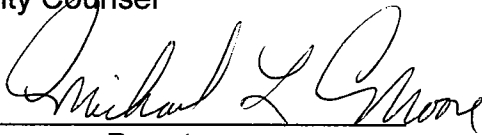
The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the _____ day of _____, 2006, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessments and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of the Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By 
Deputy

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